



CURRICULUM VITAE

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Degrees

- 1992** Ph.D., Hull University, UK
1989 M.A., Lancaster University, UK.
1988 B.A., Aristotelio University of Thessaloniki, Greece, 1988.

Employment

<i>Date (since):</i>	2015 -
<i>Occupation of position held:</i>	Full Professor.
<i>Areas of teaching and research:</i>	Modern History
<i>Name of institution:</i>	University of the Aegean

Research Expertise

- Contemporary Mediterranean History
- Geopolitics of the Mediterranean and the Middle East
- Euro-Mediterranean Relations
- European historical and cultural heritage and identity (emphasis on the last two centuries - colonialism, imperialism, ideologies, World War II, Holocaust, and the civil conflicts in the 1940s, the Cold War period).

Research Projects/Funding

- **2019-21. Coordinator. Partnership Agreement for the Development Framework (ESPA) 2014-20.** Sectoral programme “Human Resources, Development, Education and Lifetime Learning”. Action “Support of researchers with emphasis on young researchers”. Title “The role and significance of the Dodecanese in the strategic plan of Britain and Italy in the period 1935-39”.
<https://empedu.gov.gr/decision/o-rolos-kai-i-simasia-ton-dodekanison-sto-stratigiko-schediasmo-vretanias-kai-italias-kata-tin-periodo-1935-1939/>
- **2012-15 Partner. Partnership Agreement for the Development Framework (ESPA-Thales), 2007-13** "Greece from the Second World War to the Cold War. International Relations and Domestic Developments", 2012-15.
<http://www.coldwar.gr/en>
- **Aug-Dec. 2013. Partner.** “Promoting the Western Balkan accession process in the context of the Greek EU Presidency” funded by Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Athens, Aug-Dec. 2013.
- **2009-2012. Partner.** In collaboration with Anna Triantafyllidou, member of the Scientific Council, ELIAMEP, “Identities and Modernities in Europe”, funded by EC Research DG, FP7, Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities.
<https://www.eliamep.gr/en/project/ime-identities-and-modernities-in-europe/>
- **2000-3. Coordinator.** INTERREG II named Gaia (history) 2000-3.

Teaching experience:

- Courses in the *Undergraduate level*
Modern Mediterranean History
Geopolitics in the Middle East
Greece and the Mediterranean after 1945
- Courses in the *Postgraduate level*
Strategy and Diplomacy in the Middle East (in English) (2005-12)
Modern History of the Mediterranean (in English) (2012-)
- *Teaching through the Erasmus Programme (staff mobility)*
 - a. Mannheim University, Germany, May 2008 on the EE and the World
 - b. Hong Kong University, Oct. 2011.
 - c. Padova University, Italy, April 2012, on the European Crisis after 2008.
 - d. University of Limerick, May 2015, on Greece’s European Policy.

- *Teaching in International Summer School MediSec 2012, Rhodes 30 July -6 Aug. 2012*, “Mediterranean Security: Old Conflicts and New Challenges”. Contribution entitled «The Arab-Israeli Conflict: Problems and Prospects for Peace”.

The program functions under the auspices of the University of the Aegean and in association with the Fund for American Studies (FAS), Washington D.C. <http://www.tfas.org>; the Greek Association for Atlantic and European Cooperation (GAAEC) www.gaaec.org; the Neapolis

University Pafos, Cyprus <http://www.nup.ac.cy>; and the Institute for Conflict, Security and Development Studies (CSDS), London, U.K. <http://www.richmond.ac.uk/s/1552.aspx>

- Director and teacher of two e-learning programmes of the University of the Aegean on Greek and European History (2013-15).

Acting as an Evaluator/Monitor of projects (national-international)

- HORIZON, Evaluator/monitor of European projects (Research European Agency, H2020), Brussels, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023.
- COST, OC-2020-1, Assignment as a Review Panel member, Review Panel 8 “Understanding global societies in transition through innovative humanistic, cultural, artistic and educational approaches” (2020-21-22-23).
- **Remote Evaluator of the Research Promotion Foundation (Cyprus)**
 - Restart Research, 2016-2020: Programmes for Research, Technological Development and Innovation of the Research Promotion Foundation, 2018 (3 proposals)
 - Restart Research, 2016-2020: Programmes for Research, Technological Development and Innovation of the Research Promotion Foundation, 2019 (5 proposals)
- **Evaluation of applications for AIAS-COFUND II (EU MARIE SKLODOWSKA-CURIE) fellowships (Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies – Aarhus University, Denmark), years 2020, 2021.**
- **Evaluation of applications for the Italian Ministry for Universities and Research (MIUR), PRIN (Research Projects of National Interest) Program (2020)**
- **Evaluator/Monitor of ERASMUS+ proposals (actions managed by National Agency-Greece), 2017- 21.**

Member/Fellow in Professional and Academic Organizations/ Networks

- **Member of the Executive Council of the Hellenic National Recognition and Information Center (Hellenic N.A.R.I.C. / Δ.Ο.Α.Τ.Α.Π.),** supervised by the Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs, responsible for: the academic recognition of titles awarded by foreign Higher Education Institutions, providing information on educational systems and accreditation of Greek and foreign H.E.I. and titles.
- **Elected Fellow** of the **Royal Historical Society, UK (2015 -)**
- **Appointed member of the Council of Education for Research Projects in Aarhus University, Denmark (2018-)**
- **Member** of the Doctoral School’s Working Group, European Security and Defence College, Brussels (2016-). Participation in the 1st Summer University, Brussels, 8-12 July 2019.

- **Member** of the ESDC's Executive Academic Board (2018-) as a representative of the University of the Aegean.
- **Member** of the **TESCA network** (Trans European Policy Studies Association) through the Greek Centre of European Studies and Research (2013 -)
- **Member** of the **European Policy Research Unit** (EPRU) – Regional development
- **Member** of the **New Diplomatic History** network
<https://newdiplomatichistory.org/>

Other Interests

- Chess
- Theatre and cinema
- Philosophy (ancient and modern)
- Literature (poetry): In 2018 I published my first poetic collection entitled
“The Gates of the Roads of Day and Night”

List of Publications*

Books

In English

1. *Britain and the Greek Civil War, 1944-49. British Imperialism, Public Opinion and the Coming of the Cold War* (Germany, Verlag, 2013)

In Greek

2. *The Two Banks of the Mediterranean. From the formation of nation-states to the euro-Mediterranean co-operation* (2020)
3. *Greece in the Mediterranean, 1950-2004. Foreign Policy and Regional Conflicts*, Athens: Greek Academic Libraries Link, 2016. ISBN: 978-960-603-331-5 (e-book) <http://hdl.handle.net/11419/5105> (2015)
4. *Greece, the Cyprus Issue and the Arab World. The Cold War in the Eastern Mediterranean, 1947-74* (2012)
5. *The Palestine Question. Part A: Zionism, the Arabs and the International Factor, 1882-1948* (2005)
6. *The Arabs in the Modern and Contemporary Era. History and Society* (2002)
7. *The EAM Resistance, 1941-1944. A Critical Appraisal* (1998)

Papers in journals

8. with E. Manta, D. Tsamos & J. Kontakis, “The Role and the Importance of the Dodecanese Islands in the strategic planning of Britain and Italy during the period 1935-39”, *Balkan Studies* 54 (2021) (online) https://www.imxa.gr/files/bsfiles/54/5_Sakkas-Manta-Tsamos-Kontakis.pdf
9. with Natalia Zhukova, “The Soviet Union, Turkey and the Cyprus Problem, 1967-74”, *Les Cahiers Irice* (Paris), no. 10, 2013, pp. 123-135.
10. “The Times and the British Intervention in Greece in December 1944”, *Balkan Studies* 46 (2012), pp. 27-38.
11. “Greece and the Mass Exodus of the Egyptian Greeks, 1956-66”, *Journal of the Hellenic Diaspora*, 35.2 (2009), pp. 101-17.
12. “The Greek dictatorship, the USA and the Arabs, 1967-74”, *Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans*, 9, no.3 (2004): 245-57.
13. “Old Interpretations and New Approaches in the Historiography of the Greek Civil War”, *Thetis*, vol. 20, 2013, 425-39.
14. “Greece, the Arab World and Israel. A Troubled Triangle in the eastern Mediterranean”, *Defensor Pacis*, vol. 20 (Mar. 2007), 95-104.
15. “The Western Alliance and the Middle East in the early 1970s”, *Études Helléniques/ Hellenic Studies*, 14, no.1 (2006): 75-86.

* In the list of publications in Greek, only the monographs are mentioned.

16. “The Greek Question in Britain during the 1944 December Events”, *Mésogeios*, 27 (2005), pp. 68-81.
17. “The Experience of the Civil War (1946-49) in a Greek Village”, *Thetis* (Germany) 9 (2002), σ. 187-95.
18. “The League for Democracy in Greece and the Greek civil war, 1946-49”, *Thetis* 3 (1996), σ. 243-54.
19. “Greece, the Cold War and the British Labour Movement”, *Thetis* 1 (1994), σ. 105-15.

Chapters in edited volumes (in English/peer-reviewed)

20. “The Greek Military Regime and the Cyprus Question”. In Katerina Lagos and Othon Anastasakis (ed.), *Revisiting a Contested Past: The Greek Military Dictatorship, 1967-74* (New York, Berghahn, 2021), pp. 360-82.
21. “Conflict and Détente in the Eastern Mediterranean: From the Yom Kippur War to the Cyprus Crisis, Oct. 1973 – April 1974”. In Elena Calandri, Daniele Caviglia, Antonio Varsori (eds.), *Détente in Cold War Europe. Politics and Diplomacy in the Mediterranean and the Middle East* (London: I. B. Tauris, Dec. 2016), pp. 141-54.
22. “Reconciling Political Identity and Atlantic Partnership. Europe and the Middle East Crisis of 1973-4”. In Giles Scott-Smith & Valerie Aubourg (eds.), *Atlantic, Euratlantic, or Europe-America? The Atlantic Community and the European Idea from Kennedy to Nixon*, *Soleb*, 2011, pp. 506-525.
23. “Anglo-American Relations and the Palestine Question, 1945-48”. In Victor Mauer and David Moeckli (eds.), *European-American Relations and the Middle East, From Suez to Iraq*, London, Routledge, 2011, pp. 47-61.
24. “The first casualty of a socialist foreign policy? Greece and Britain in the 1940s”. In K. Morgan, D. Howell, and Dianne Kirby (eds.), *John Saville: Commitment and History. Themes from the Life and Work of a socialist historian*, London, Lawrence and Wishart, 2011, pp. 73-90.
25. “Muhammad Ali of Egypt, the Ottomans and the Greek War of Independence” in M. Efthymiou (ed.), *La Société Grecque sous la Domination Ottomane*, *Mesogeios*, Athens and Paris, Hêrodotos (2010), pp.325-41.
26. “The Civil War in Evrytania”, in Mark Mazower (ed.), *After the War was Over: Reconstructing the Family, Nation, and State in Greece, 1943-1960* (Princeton, Princeton University Press 2000), pp. 184-209.
27. “Political Science”, in Stratos Constantinides (ed.), *Greece in Modern Times: An Annotated Bibliography of Works Published in English from 1900 to 1995* (Maryland, Scarecrow Press 2000), pp. 475-503.

Paper Reviews (in English)

- 29 *Journal of Modern Greek Studies*, 37/1 (May 2019), 193-6
Leonidas Karakatsanis and Nikolaos Papadogiannis, eds, *The Politics of Culture in Turkey, Greece and Cyprus: Performing the Left since the Sixties*. Abingdon: Routledge, 2017.
30. *Contemporary British History*, 2015 (26 Aug. on line)

Alex. Nafpliotis, “Britain and the Greek Colonels: Accommodating the Junta in the Cold War”. To link to this article:

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/13619462.2015.1066982>